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20 In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, it is  
requested that a citation and examination of the references listed on the attached  
Form PTO-1449 be made during the course of the examination of the above-  
identified application.

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25 On page 1 of the specification, in the Background of the Invention, a  
reference to WO 99/43084 was made, and a copy of this reference is attached  
herewith along with U.S. Patent No. 6,722,030, which claims priority from the same  
German Application as the International Application. It is respectfully submitted  
that the specification distinguishes the claims over the teachings of these two  
30 references.

In the International Search Report dated May 15, 2003, U.S.  
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of Japan for Japanese Application 07-111438 and WO 97/45955 were cited in Category X with regard to certain claims. Copies of these four references are attached herewith.

In the Search Report, EP 1 093 159 was cited in Category Y and EP 0 740 340 and EP 0 840 369 along with the article by Selmeier et al were cited in Category A, which is technical background. Copies of these four references are also attached herewith. Also attached herewith are U.S. Patent No. 6,528,924, which corresponds to WO 97/45955, and U.S. Patent No. 6,492,194, which is the U.S. equivalent of EP 1 093 159.

It is respectfully submitted that the claims of the present application are patentable over these references and are allowable.

Respectfully submitted,

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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

Examiner's Initials		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing Date If appropriate
	AA	6,492,194	12/10/2002	Bureau et al			
	AB	6,528,924	03/04/2003	Stelzl et al			
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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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							Yes	No
	AL	WO 97/24955	12/04/1997	International			See AB	
	AM	WO 99/43084	08/26/1999	International			See AC	
	AN	0 740 340	10/30/1996	Europe				
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**OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**

AT	Abstract of Japanese Application 07-111438, April 25, 1995, <u>Patent Abstracts of Japan</u> , Vol. 1995, No. 07, August 31, 1995.
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